

# **Voluntary Children's Chemical Evaluation Program:**

## **Industry Participation**

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# Industry Participation

- Why are we participating in VCCEP?
- What do we bring to VCCEP?
- What do we hope to achieve in VCCEP?

# Why Industry is Participating in VCCEP Pilot

- Effective process to assess risks to children
- Use this pilot phase to learn and to improve the process

*Don't let perfection be the enemy of good!*

# What do We Hope to Achieve from the VCCEP Pilot?

- New way to evaluate chemicals for risks to children
- Focus on child-relevant information and approaches
- Tiered and flexible evaluation process—efficiently cover child-health relevant scenarios

# What do We Hope to Achieve from the VCCEP Pilot?

- Integrated evaluation—hazard and exposure
- Flexibility in finding the best way to meet VCCEP objectives
- Integrate with other programs
- Reapply the process, building on pilot learnings

# What Industry Brings to the VCCEP Pilot

- Sign up rate of 87%!
- Companies committed to participate
- Companies committed to working in voluntary partnership with EPA

# Industry Participation in this VCCEP Workshop

- Workshop is an excellent opportunity to begin our partnership
- Expert panel can share approaches to effectively assess exposure to children
- Papers on tiered approaches and models for assessing children's exposures
- Case study

# Conclusion

- Commitment
- Innovative approaches and tools
- Tiered evaluations; flexibility
- Partnership—assessment of risks to children